Moffat County Board of County Commissioners 221 W Victory Way Suite 130 Craig, CO 81625

November 10, 2015

In attendance: John Kinkaid, Chairman; Chuck Grobe, Vice Chair; Frank Moe, Board Member; Lila Herod, Moffat County Clerk & Recorder; Ken Wergin; Jeff Comstock; Ray Beck; Brian Smith; Patrick Kelly

Call to Order Pledge/Opening Prayer Consent Agenda

Moe made a motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of:

- a) Approved the minutes from November 3, 2015.
- b) Approved the Core Services Contracts between Social Services and Joanne Snow and Jennifer Harris for Sexual Abuse Treatment Services.

Grobe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Roy Tipton and Mike Fuller present.

General Discussion

General discussion was held among the Board:

- Moe gave an update on various meetings he attended- economic development assessment group, and Social Services collaborative management meeting.
- Grobe reported he and Commissioner Moe met with Town of Dinosaur, USDA and Williams Oil regarding the proposed natural gas filing station.
- Grobe discussed the Land Use Board meeting and a presentation by the Rio Blanco Conservancy District on a proposed reservoir being constructed in Rio Blanco County for domestic water storage in Rangely.
- Grobe gave an update on the CDOT meeting and highway projects on Highway 13.
- Mayor Beck discussed the passage of the Local Marketing District and congratulated the newly elected School Board members and CNCC Board of Control members.
- Beck and Comstock attended the AGNC's Economic Development Summit. Beck will also be attending the EPA hearing in Denver.
- Kinkaid announced he will be testifying at the EPA hearing next week. He also discussed the results from the November 3rd election, and was pleased with the outcome.
- Ken Wergin encouraged everyone to vote for the Moffat County High School State Farm contest. They are eligible to win \$100,000.
- There was discussion regarding the next steps for the formation of the Local Marketing District. A basic outline for goals and an operating plan will be developed before the first of the year.

Lloyd Powers and Linda DeRose present.

Planning & Zoning-Jerry Hoberg

Hoberg reviewed an exemption from subdivision regulations for the estate of Clyde Stehle.

This was originally an 818.09 acre parcel located on County Road 31. 10.11 acres with the house will be exempted in order to divide the estate. There have been no previous exemptions on the parcel. There was no quorum at the Planning Commission, but the members present were in favor of approval.

Grobe made a motion to approve E-15-03 Exemption from subdivision regulations for the Estate of Clyde Stehle. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attachments.

Road & Bridge-Linda DeRose

DeRose gave the monthly update from the Road Department.

Completed projects:

- ✓ Repair and replace signs
- ✓ Repair washout on County Road 4 north and County Rd 10.
- ✓ Replace and clean culverts
- ✓ Mowing
- ✓ Pick up trash
- ✓ Gravel County Roads
- ✓ Clean and repair cattleguards
- ✓ Repair slide on County Rod 65
- ✓ Remove trees on County Roads 65 and 139
- ✓ Clean ditches

Projects in progress:

- ✓ Grading roads
- ✓ Reclamation Charchalis Pit
- ✓ Crushing at Sunbeam Pit

Pending projects:

- ✓ Gravel County Road 21 and roads in Browns Park
- ✓ Replace culverts
- ✓ Strip overburden at Refuge Pit
- ✓ Crushing at Refuge Pit

General and Landfill:

- ✓ MSHA refresher class
- ✓ Hauled tree chipper and track hoe for City of Craig
- ✓ Cleaned drains at Fairgrounds
- ✓ Cleaning ditches at Loudy Simpson
- ✓ NWCC continues planning new cell construction for 2016.

Youth Services- Tara Wojtkiewicz

Wojtkiewicz requested that Dollie Rose, the director or Social Services be appointed to the 14th Judicial District Juvenile Services Planning Commission.

Planning efforts are under way to budget SB 94 and the new SB 215, marijuana funds.

Grobe made a motion to appoint Dollie Rose, the director or Social Services to the 14th Judicial District Juvenile Services Planning Commission. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Wojtkiewicz gave a brief update from Youth Services. Caseloads indicate high drug usage and various felonies in addition to the typical misdemeanors and MIPs. She also discussed SB 94 funding and goals of the oversight group.

There was further discussion regarding juvenile drug usage being a direct result of mental health issues, and the need for additional counselors.

Wojtkiewicz also expressed excitement and appreciation of the collaboration efforts from Social Services and she stressed the importance of a mentoring program and foster families.

Natural Resources- Jeff Comstock

Comstock reviewed the comment letter from Moffat County for Trapper Mine's Environmental Assessment. The letter indicates this EA sets new precedent by requiring the analysis of emissions of an end use power plan. The EA analysis is far removed from the NEPA action stretching beyond the permit action being analyzed, and the indirect impacts of regulation they have no authority over.

Moffat County is requesting that the EA address social impacts and the economic contribution of Trapper Mines employees. Trapper's contributions to this community are unmatched and should be given credit in the EA.

The letter also expresses concern that precedence was set with the ColoWyo EA and continues with Trapper Mine as "blackmail" money is being paid to US Fish and Wildlife Service in the name of mitigation for emissions not related to the mine. The USFWS received \$284,000 for endangered species from ColoWyo.

Grobe made a motion to sign and approve the letter to the OSMRE regarding Trapper Mine's Environmental Assessment. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached. Linda DeRose and Mindy Curtis present.

Human Resources-Lynnette Siedschlaw

Siedschlaw discussed the Health and Welfare Fund and the 2016 health insurance plan.

The 2016 health and welfare budget will incur roughly \$645,000 increase over 2015.

\$2.8 million was budgeted for medical and prescriptions. Through September we are running \$200,000 over budget. Currently nine members (2%) of the membership) is driving 45% of the plan costs.

In order to minimize the increases the Health Board is recommending:

- 1- Increasing employee premiums by 25%- which is an increase of \$5 to \$16 per month per employee. This will save the plan \$25,000.00.
- 2- Increases maximum out-of- pocket coinsurance. Individual from \$4,000 to \$6,850.00 and family from \$12,000 to 13,700.
- 3- Add 4th tier to prescription plan, which would be for all drugs that cost \$1,000 or more per month. The co-pay would go from \$70 to \$200.

By implementing these changes it would save the over all plan \$85,000.

Siedschlaw reported the Employee Benefit Fair is next week, and a presentation will be given to review these changes and educate employees how the County's self-funded plan works.

There was a brief discussion regarding the Care Here Clinic and how to maximize its usage.

Grobe made a motion to approve the recommendations made by the Moffat County Health Board: 1) increase employee premiums by 25 %; 2) increase maximum out of pocket expenses and; 3) add a 4th tier to pharmacy coverage for drugs that cost more than \$1,000 per month. These changes will become effective January 1, 2016. Moe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. See attached.

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by:

Lila Herod, County Clerk and Recorder

Approved by:

Attest by: Sila Herod